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September 19th, 1919.

A. C. Wyman, Esq.,  
242 Mountain Street,  
Montreal, P. Q.

Dear Mr. Wyman:-

Your registered letter addressed to Mr. Wood was opened by me because Mr. Wood left last night for Boston over Sunday. The two Prince of Wales medals were enclosed - I think we can at least do better than this.

As Mr. Wood will not return until Monday it is possible that he may not be able to write you before you sail. The name of the man who has the collection of gun money is Mr. I.B.S. MacIlwaine, Annaghroe House, Caladon, County Tyrone, Ireland. The mail address of Mr. Saltus is c/o Hottinguer and Co., 38 rue de Province, Paris, which would be useful in case he should not be at the Hotel Continental when you arrive.

I wrote you yesterday care of the Queens Hotel regarding a volume sent us by Mr. Allen "Le Duc de Wellington" Brussels 1853. I would suggest your calling at the Queens Hotel because Wood may have sent things there for you about which I do not know. This book seems to me of a very desirable purchase for your purpose. It includes an autograph of Wellington ?, a considerable number of good photographs, has an inlaid portrait of Napoleon and is accompanied by an extra illustrated "Memoir of the Duke of Wellington" reprinted from the Times of 1852. Allen's bill was enclosed in my other letter but I think the amount of it was \$2.58 or \$2.62. As he is asking that we return it if you do not want it I suggested in my first letter that you either send him a cheque or advise me to return it.

I got back last Monday and although the hay fever is better it is still far from being a negligible quantity.

With best wishes for a pleasant voyage.

Very sincerely yours,

242 Mountain St  
Montreal.

Sept 21, 1919

My dear Doc't

Years gone the Allen's  
will received the book  
is one I told him I  
would take several  
months ago. He would  
to get it from Eng-  
land and in the  
meantime I had for -

gotten about it. I will  
send him a check from  
here, if you will hold  
the book until my re-  
turn.

We are having a  
very restful week here  
before sailing and  
will get away on  
Wednesday, the twenty  
fourth.

Montreal is crowded with tourists  
and none of the regular hotels  
could take us. Fortunately we  
were able to get temporary accom-  
modation after  
a strenuous day of search  
at this address.

The lady sends regards.  
Sincerely yours  
Arthur C. Hyman

October 24th, 1919.

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman,  
c/o Thomas Cook & Sons,  
Ludgate Circus,  
London, England.

Dear Mr. Wyman: -

Mr. Wood received a letter from you in this morning's mail, and as he does not plan to write for several days because he sent a letter to you within the past week, I am passing this scribble.

There is not a great deal that is new. Mr. Reilly has returned, and we are planning for the November business meeting. We had a visit from Mr. Schulman yesterday who is going on to Chicago today. We gave a gold membership medal to the Queen of Belgium a couple of weeks ago, and the Prince of Wales medal is ready for him if he comes. Messrs. Wood and Newell went to the Philadelphia Convention and reported having a pretty good time. Twenty new members were elected last Council meeting, making a total of 616.

Metapontum matters are going along swimmingly. I received a number of casts from the British Museum yesterday, and Mr. Jameson from Paris has promised me some others which I want very much. The Glasgow casts have not yet arrived but may turn up any day. You very kindly offered to secure any that I might want from the British Museum when you were there. I am enclosing a list which I am making as brief as possible. The numbers refer to the B.M.C. catalogue for Italy. This however was published in 1870, and many of those pieces are wanted because the description is not sufficient to identify them. I should also like very much to have you enquire about additions made since that catalogue was printed. They sent me some from the hoard which was described in the Numismatic Chronicle for 1918 - a Hercules head stater and some late staters of the barley wreath type. If the additions are not too numerous it would probably be economy in the long run to take casts of all of them (excepting the incuse pieces, of which you might select any which look unusual to you). At Mr. Newell's suggestion we have ordered casts of all the double radii staters in the Paris Collection. This we can do because they make a small charge for the casts, and it does not leave us under such a feeling of obligation to them.

I note you had a comfortable voyage despite its length. It seems to me you were very fortunate. If you should see Mr. Saltus sooner

than you anticipate, please tell him we all send cordial regards.

With greetings to your wife, I beg to remain,

Cordially yours,

Secretary.

P. S. The medals you sent us arrived this morning.

55	93	110	135
56	99	115	136
57	100	116	137
60	101	119	138
61	104	120	139
65	105	124	142
68	108	126	143
85	109	129	

311 West 24<sup>th</sup> St  
July 25, 1920

~~Very sincerely yours~~  
My dear Miss Peilly:—

I enclose my receipt  
for salary. Also check  
and receipted bill for  
Marvin's membership  
dues, which was ad-  
dressed to me person-  
ally. Will you let me  
know how the responses  
to our last batch

of bills are coming in  
I am also sending you  
two bills for photographing  
which Mr. Doe sent me.

As these are all right  
I guess you can pay  
them this week, especially  
as the photographer  
told me the other day  
that he needed some  
money.

I suppose every thing is  
going smoothly.

Very truly yours

Arthur Crawford Hyman

P.S. Be sure and check off Marvin's  
dues on the white cards.

Submitted for Newman July 24, 1920.  
Done at McLean, Va.

Thursday, June 16th, 1921

My dear Howland:-

The Mexican Monograph arrived last evening and made me feel quite homesick for a few minutes. I have watched the growth of that with so much interest and so great a desire for its complete success that I felt queer when I realized that it had actually appeared and been mailed without my being around to see. It certainly makes a good looking, and it seems to me, important addition to the 2 by 3 series.

Noe reached Paris Sunday. I did not see him until yesterday owing to a delay in his letter to me in the French post. The mail here seems certain but most awfully slow. I have had letters take three days to go from one part of the city to another. Noe ~~seems~~ very well. He seems to have had a very profitable time in England, especially at the B. M. and feels that he has accomplished much. He is now hard at work at the Bibliotheque and apparently has made a great hit with M. Babelon. May and I are to dine with him this evening and then make further plans for seeing him.

I have not had a chance to gather much numismatic news. I did go to see Bourgey as a result of a letter from Raymond but most of the time has been occupied in getting used to living in a French flat. It is more like camping out than anything I have tried before. Bourgey told ~~me~~ that the coinage of aluminum francs and two franc pieces like those you received from the French mint has been given up. It is too bad that something is not done because the situation in regard to small change is most annoying. All kinds of copper and nickel are used for five, ten and twenty five centimes. Above those denominations are the fifty centime and one and two franc notes. These are handled so much that they get into horrible condition and often are literally dropping to pieces.. In the small shops the person who handles the money spends a large part of his time patching them up with gummed mending tissue. At the café change is made by using the jetons that are being sold for use in the automatic gambling machines.

Have you the French nickel coins (5, 10 & 25 centimes) for ~~x~~ 1920. I find that there are two sizes of the 5 centime piece for that year. The larger size is the same as that for the previous years. This is so nearly the ~~same~~ as the 10 centime piece that a smaller size was adopted and

issued in 1920 and only the smaller size is now being struck. If you haven't got the series or both sizes of this piece, I will send them along. I will also send the series for 1921. I wrote you a postal asking for a list of the encased French postage stamps which you have. I have gotten a few of these issued by different concerne but they are apparently pretty scarce as the cost of preparing them must have been pretty high.

Mr. Beaver told me that Mr. Riley was planning to spend the summer in California. I had known that he was going west for a trip but did not understand that he intended to stay as long as several months.

The pricipal event since I arrived here has been the Quarts Arts Ball. This, as you know is, is the famous Co-costume Ball of the Art students at the Beaux Arts. It has been famous for years as a ~~gor~~geous spectacle and a freedom from conventionality bordering on the indecent. Mr. Saltus had a ticket and tried to get me one but could not do so. As matter of fact, tickets are almost impossible for an outsider to secure, and even when secured do not guarantee admission as every one is supposed to pass an examination as to costume and their right to be present at the door. Just the same I got a ticket myself and sallied forth. On the way I was adopted by a very nice little model in a pair of pink slippers and a sweet smile. When I reached the entrance she did the talking most fluently and effectually and I passed in without trouble although I saw many people with tickets and costumes quite as good as mine refused admission. After we did get inside the condition of the dance floor ~~showed~~ showed why my young escort wore slippers but the smile was absolutely unnecessary as a part of her costume. There was one other girl who had a pair of spectacles added to slippers but she too was overdressed. And then the fun began. Champagne was free, as much as you could drink and I couldn't find that any hing was barred. Saltus was there and looked very imposing with his beard dyed black, and I would not have missed it all for a thousand francs but towards the end it got a little too strong even for me. Saltus went home early but I stayed until morning and ended up by wrapping the young lady who had gotten me in in a piece of canvas I found and taking her home in a taxi. She had spent most of the night with her own friends but apparently thought that a sober American was the best bet when came to going home.

Best regards to all.

*Albert H. Moore*

Sept. 6, 1912.

Dear Mr. Ryan:-

As you suggested, the information that your account at the Coast Dragoon Bank had been closed was in full. Some draft was issued but for deposit, and the letter made up immediately after. I enclose a memorandum deposit slip, and by adding to that the amount of the balance left there by you, (\$1.10), you will have the total amount to your credit. Mr. Johnson advised me, when it should suffice to you, to give you this account and that he could get rid of it and that it had probably no claim against him above and beyond.

There is a very heavy load of mail to be sent to-day and I am afraid to delay any of the important letters. It is also very uncomfortable, owing to the heat, to sit at a desk in the office. I am afraid, though, that the time will be long, and I do not know whether the service will be good. I have a small rug which I have had planned to be sent to you, but of the last few days the officers were so busy that I am really sorry. I could not obtain a steamer rug, although I had been informed at the office that there would not be any great difficulty. If your circumstances permit, I am sure you would find a visit to Japan very desirable and will be very glad to make a trip with you if you like. It is necessary to have (I am told) a large amount of money, (I suppose), so it can be worked in for any trip that may take you in that direction.

I arrived just in time to get mixed up in a crowd to accompany to the visit of Marshal Foch of which we have just heard. I am glad to talk to you before he left. The time at disposal is all too brief, as usual, but we shall have to do what we can. There is a large amount of work ahead of me, but I suppose it can be dispensed of by starting at it and getting along. Please give my greetings to Mr. Cole, and best

Yours very sincerely,

October 11th, 1921.

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman,  
24 Avenue de Maine,  
Paris (XV), France.

Dear Mr. Wyman:-

I am sure that your dues for 1921 have been overlooked by you.

On receipt of your cheque the remaining issues of the Ithomantic Notes and Monographs, five in number, will be sent you.

Very truly yours,

Treasurer.

November 12th, 1901.

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.,  
24 Avenue de Maine,  
Paris (XV), France.

Dear Mr. Wyman:-

I am sending you two enclosures. Please return the printed one which speaks for itself. We are in the throes of getting ready for the presentation of the Poch medal so please pardon the briefness of this letter.

Did you tell me before you left for Europe something about Mr. Gillette having agreed to become a member or wanting to become one? All that I can learn after diligent inquiry is that he did not although both Mr. Newell and Mr. Wood were of the opinion that he did. Our only communication with him is a letter sent by you. I will write him on receipt of your response.

We have just received about six hundred or more of the books from the Hispanic Society so the Librarian as well as the Secretary is busy these days.

Sincerely yours,

Secretary.

December 29th, 1921

Dear Mr. Nyman:

Your letter of December 2nd was referred to me by Mr. Wood and I shall try to answer your several questions.

I am mighty sorry that you have had so much trouble with your teeth. You will have no excuse for not being able to twist your mouth around any of the French words hereafter!

I suppose your experiences will have forced you to give up the plan of going to Italy this winter, at least.

I am writing to Mr. Gifford for the information you desire. But I fear that obtaining anything from Mr. Smith is hopeless. Mr. Gillingham tells me that his decorations are packed away in cigar boxes and that he does not know what he has.

Mr. Gillingham's address is 432 West Price Street, Philadelphia.

Thank you for your word about Mr. Gillette. He has not responded to my letter to him.

You should have received the monographs for which you asked by this time; also, the Announcement re arding the Publication Department. The tale of the change is a long one but it must wait until we can talk with you. The Committee as constituted at present consists of Mr. Reilly, Chairman, Mr. Wood and Mr. Field. Mr. Wood has been most considerate in doing what he could to simplify my taking charge, but as he has been enjoying one of his frequent attacks of Jury duty the past three weeks, you will please attribute the delay in answering your letter in part to conditions which you will be able to imagine.

Just now Miss Reilly is ill, and with the first of the year Report on hand, I am sure that you will feel flattered at the length of this letter.

With regard to your proposition about publishing the British Medals relating to the War of 1812 in three parts, in reporting the matter to the Committee I took the attitude that I personally did not want to

stand in the way of the production of any American material, especially because the available supply was so limited. I pointed out that you had insisted that you were under no obligation until the first part was presented as ready for publication. I find, however, much more material in hand than I would have believed possible - and, in consequence, an attitude of unwillingness on the part of the Committee to pledge themselves to the publication of three numbers which should not be too widely separated in time of publication. I also found a feeling that the reason you urge for dividing the material, that is, the rather disgraceful nature of the actions of the U... forces, did not seem to impress the Committee as of sufficient weight to warrant the change.

Mr. Soule makes the point that as the British issued cars for Victories only, any treatment from their point of view would necessarily be one-sided; and neither for I could quite see the need of republishing de Bonfond's material on the Congressional medals; it is almost impossible to learn the whereabouts of these gold medals at the present time. Nor is it likely that much new material regarding them can be found.

I realize that all this explanation hardly sounds encouraging, but I do not want it to stop you; and because of my lack of information regarding your problem, I hesitate to offer any suggestion. Why wouldn't your first plan for the article be the best one under the circumstances?

Mr. Salter has given us \$500 toward our deficit, and Mr. Reilly secured \$100 from Elliott with as a contribution.

The books from the Hispanic Society have arrived and take up any spare moments I have. They are a little disappointing as much of the material is out of date; about 1/4 of it is duplicate and 1/4 live material of real value.

Young Lindheim was up here last week, and Mr. Marvin also asked for you when he was here over Christmas.

Although they are a little late in coming, please give my best wishes to your better half, and accept them for your other half.

Very truly yours,

S.P.N./E

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Paris, France

Paris March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1922

My dear Mr. Roe:-

Just a line or two as  
we are extremely busy moving.  
We have had to give up our  
apartment as our son  
claims to live in it himself.  
For the present we will  
stay at a hotel, and not  
up from the Champs or  
upping houses in Paris.

While in London I re-  
ceived the material I want-  
ed for the monograph  
and shall try to have it  
ready before long.

I wonder if you can do something for me. I am very anxious to get a copy of the collection of  
prints you have. It seems  
to be the property of Mr. J. W.  
H. Miller which was given in  
Washington on April 18, 1921 by the  
American Art Association. It  
is a matter of great interest, if  
possible, to have copies of the collec-  
tions. If possible, I should  
like to have one of the sets  
of prints, three. I suppose there  
will be some charge, and will  
ask you to make for what-  
ever the amount is. The  
set of engravings I want, for  
myself, the others for use

of the wires here. So I will be glad to  
have either one, two or three copies  
of "The New York Times" and  
you can enclose it if you can  
get time to do so.

It would be well to wire back  
to you as soon as possible many per-  
sons are now and then willing to re-  
spond for it England for the num-  
ber.

As we are away now - and had  
no opportunity to pack up so this  
is a wretched excuse after what

I guess you will read it.  
With my regards to all at the  
Museum.

Micahel C. Ward

Arthur Hawford Chapman  
of Thomas Cook & Sons  
2 Place de la Madeleine  
Paris.

P.S. - at my address

March 14th, 1922

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.  
C/o Thomas Cook et Fils  
2 Place de la Madeleine  
Paris, France

Dear Mr. Wyman:

Your letter of the 2nd reached me last week. I am glad to learn of the progress you are making on your monograph. I expect to receive it about the time the one promised by Mr. Belden reaches us! If that does not stir you up, I don't know of anything that I can say that will!

Keep us informed of any further change of address.

I will see what I can find out about the Napoleonic catalogue and write you further in a few days.

With cordial regards to your wife and yourself,

Very truly yours,

S.P./E

June 16th, 1922

Dear Mr. Wyman:

Wood received your letter, and I presume he will answer it in a little while. It reached him a few days after his operation which happily has proved less serious than we anticipated. The stomach was found to be not ulcerated as had been diagnosed, so they compromised by removing his appendix and gall bladder. Naturally, we are all much relieved. It means, of course, that Wood will be well on the road to health again in a other week or two. He is planning for a month's rest at ~~certainty~~ before returning in August for the Convention.

Matters at the Museum are quiet, except when Newell comes in once or twice a week.

I hope you are all right, and with cordial regards to your Consort, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Villa Gneisenau  
15 Immerstrasse  
Wiesbaden, Germany

24 Avenue du Maine  
Paris (XV), France

July 20th, 1922

My dear Howland:-

I was very glad to get your last letter and learn that you had come through the operation so well. Noe had been good enough to send me a word about you while you were still in the hospital. I hope your troubles are over now.

As you will see by the heading we are back in our old quarters here in Paris and intend to stay here about two months, then on to England. We had a woderful trip in the Rhine country before leaving Germany and had planned a day at Treves on our way from Cologne to Paris but had to give it up at the last minute because it was impossible to make train connections. I had especially wanted to see Treves because the Roman Gate illustrated in Mrs. Baldwins monagraph on the gold medallions and also because it was the birthplace of Karl Marx.

The other evening I wandered into my favorite cafe and ran into Clare Sheridan. She was just as charming but no more sensible than when I saw her last in New York. She is making a five months trip of Europe for the New York World and then returns to New York. Both her children are going to school in America and she tells me she wants them to grow up there.

I can't get over Mr. Saltus' death. I had been

looking forward to seeing him again. May's sister, Blanid, was in London at the same hotel when he died. She sent me the English notices as did also Mr. Baldwin. Mr. Baldwin, by-the-way, was in Wiesbaden at the time. I had run across two remarkably fine Syracusan dekadrachms, one by Simon like the very high relief one in the Morgan collection. I had written to Baldwin about them and he came to Wiesbaden and bought one of them outright and I think will get the other also.

The last time I saw Saltus, May and I had dinner with him and Mrs. Campbell at the Continental. It was a very special affair and he was just as delightful as possible. We also saw Mrs. Campbell at Blois when we went down to the dedication of the Joan of Arc statue which Mr. Saltus gave that city. Mrs. Campbell seemed very much interested in what he had done for the Numismatic Society and it might not be a bad plan for the society to keep in touch with her.

I am enclosing some odds and ends which I picked up in Germany. One or two of them are rather interesting especially the urine token. These were used by the tanneries in Mainz to pay for human urine which was used in the tanning process. The little silver piece of Nassau is one of the last issue of the Wiesbaden mint. There is also a token used in payment of the toll at the gates of Frankfort. You may add them to the cabinet of the Society.

Hope you fully recovered now and that the convention will be a great success.

Yours truly

*Arthur L. Morgan*

15 Emsgerstrasse  
Wiesbaden, Germany

July 29th, 1922

My dear Mr. Noe:-

We have all been terribly shocked by Mr. Saltus' tragic accident. The very night of his death, Mr. A.H. Baldwin of London, who had been spending a few days here was telling of his long acquaintance with Mr. Saltus and of the dinner that was to be given for him shortly in London.

The last time I saw Mr. Saltus, May and I had dinner with him and with Mrs Campbell at the Hotel Continental. The papers here report that she was engaged to be married to him soon. At any rate she was one of his dearest friends and I have felt that I must write to her. As I have not got her address, I am enclosing a letter to her and am going to ask that you get the address and send the letter on. I think she or her late husband was a member of the Society. If not Dr. Kunz will know where she can be reached. As she told us she expected to move when she returned to New York, it might be well to ask him anyway.

I will write you again soon.

Very truly yours



August 20th, 1962

Dear Arthur:

I am back for the job and feeling fine. In fact, I think I feel better than I have for several years.

I suppose you have had the time of your life in Germany and found things out interesting there. They say that Paris rots the tourists; but living there the way you do, I suppose you do not get stung as badly as those who are there a short time.

I was interested in what you said about Clare Sheridan. I do not care about her.

Saltus' great will, I think, put a crimp in our medal collecting unless you made enough money to fill his shoes! He did not leave us a red cent, and, in fact, left no institution anything. We are planning to keep as much in touch with Mrs. Gaskell as possible.

Many thanks for the odds and ends of tokens you sent over. Of the whole bunch, there were only two that we had.

I will try to send you shortly an account of the money I have paid, but so far I have paid out nothing; I have written Buffield to find out how much is owed him.

I am enclosing photographs of the coins you want. I will try to get a lighter print of the cents. I thought I would include the one with three errors and one with one error. I think we have got quite a number of back magazines for you. Shall we still hold them, and what would be your best address for awhile?

The Annual Convention starts tomorrow; but as it has not yet taken place, there is nothing to tell you. We are having a kind of reception at the Society on Wednesday evening.

Joe is sailing on September 19th for Athens, to use up the balance of his Sabbatical year. We are anxious to have our Society as high-brow as possible, and so the Staff is kept busy studying, reading, caravanning and learning every minute of the time. Joe is going to the American School for Classical Studies and will be in touch with everyone, gaining valuable knowledge per minute. He only speaks in technical terms now throughout the day, with just a slight let-down at tea time! What we don't know is hardly worth knowing these days!

Wishing you are well, and with cordial regards to all both,

Very truly yours,

Albert de Mause, M.A.  
24 Avenue du Maine  
Paris, XV, France

155 Boulevard Montparnasse  
Paris, France

April 2nd, 1923

My dear Howland:-

As you will see we have cut our stay in London rather shorter than we had at first planned are back here in Paris. Ralph sailed for New York on the 24th of last month after we had been in London a bit more than a fortnight. We remained there a few days after he left and then came over here. The expense of getting him started was considerable and it seemed wise to get back here where living is cheaper and also before the franc began to increase in value again.

You can't imagine how pleased I am to think I have discovered something, in the mint marked pennies that you did not know. In fact I don't think the fact that they were issued is very generally known and they are really scarce especially the one of the last year. Garside was very much surprised that I had been able to find all four in circulation. There were only these four and no half pennies, or fact any other denomination of the Imperial coinage with KM since the accession of the present King. The K N stands for Kings Norton, the name of the town where a private mint is located.

As to the five dollars, use it for coins. It is quite like Boyd, I think, to do his work when ones back is turned but I shall not lose any sleep. At any rate let the Museum get the benefit of it.

Sir William Wells the treasurer of the British Numismatic Society told me that if Mr. Saltus had not been a visiting American the coroners verdict would have been different, but that under the circumstances it was considered kinder to give the verdict that was rendered.

I did not get your letter about Allen until after I reached here. So far as I could see, he was perfectly friendly and spoke at least once of you in a cordial manner. I think he is very busy and I gathered that he had not been quite as well as usual.

I hope you received the coins I sent from London. I couldn't afford the Edward XI groat and half groat, which in any kind of condition run into many pounds in value. As it was I paid a bit too much for the sixpence but made it up on the threepence which was cheap.. By the way, could you give any approximate estimate of the value of my gifts to the Museum to date. It must be mounting slowly up to something over a hundred dollars, perhaps a little more and I should rather like to know about what you figure it. As you know, I can not give much at any one time but I shall want do a little always. If any action is taken in regard Dr. Yeanna's Christmas scheme, I shall of course come in on it.

I had a very nice hour or so with Valentine in London and meant to see him again, but the change in our plans prevented it.

I am much interested in Mr. Huntington's map and think it a fully correct one both off and on.

Very truly yours

Arthur J. Hyatt

P. S. Good bye till we meet again:-

Thomas Cook & Son  
2 Place de la Madeleine  
Paris

This place is a little hotel and I do not think we shall stay long as it is fearfully noisy.

Wyman File

May 16th, 1923

Messrs. R. R. Bowker Co.  
62 West 45th Street  
New York City

Gentlemen:

Your letter of May 15th addressed to Mr. Arthur C. Wyman at hand concerning an account with Townley Searle.

Mr. Wyman has not been in our employ for two years and has been residing in Europe since he left the Society.

Very truly yours,

Acting Secretary & Curator

J.W.H.

July 13th, 1923

Dear Mr. Wyman:

You have probably gathered that because you didn't hear from me ~~that~~ I had no difficulty at Oran. As a matter of fact, they didn't open my baggage and confined their attention to passports.

My w.s. in London was a hectic one; and as one day had to be taken for seeing Ribot's casts in Manchester, I was kept busy. At Manchester, I found more of the gold Alexander such as he had in Paris. I am wondering how you and Raymond made out with him. If you have not already made the casts of the Alexander things and sent them, would you be so good as to send the Mende casts without waiting for the others. His Mende pieces in Manchester were magnificent, and notably strengthened my series.

I was glad to find Mr. Wood looking very well. He has bought a home in Flushing, and is taking most of July away from the Museum, to put his house in shape.

The Sculpture show here on the terrace is very impressive; and that coupled with a multitude of other details, has kept me hopping.

Please say that I asked to be remembered to your wife.

Very truly yours,

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.  
Paris

September 14th, 1925.

Dear Mr. Wyman:

I have been wondering whether the package of casts, which you so kindly offered to send for me, has gone astray, as they have not yet reached me and as more than three months have now elapsed.

I had a note from M. Ritsos saying that he called on you twice but that you were not in. He has gone to Greece and will not return for some time, I believe.

If you have not already sent it, and will take it to M. Florange, I am sure they will be glad to pack the casts and send it for you. Kindly ask them to let me have a memorandum of the cost of doing this.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.,  
c/o Thomas Cook et Fils,  
2 Place de la Madeleine,  
Paris, France.

December 26th, 1923

Dear Mr. Wyman:

It is too late to wish you a Merry Christmas, but accept my best wishes for 1924. I hope the New Year may have many good things in store for you.

Thank you for sending the casts of the Mende pieces. Other matters have prevented my getting much done with the series, but as I did want to do the thing up as a whole, I have been waiting until these arrived.

We are in the midst of our annual first-of-the-year troubles. We miss Mr. Newell dreadfully - Mr. Reilly is at the helm (perhaps you will read between the lines!)

Do you remember the suggestion about the Christmas gifts to the Society? Mr. Newell wrote about it in his Presidential address last year for the Proceedings. He has tried it out and its success is very gratifying. Mr. Gillingham has given enough decorations to enable him to become a Patron. And besides a rare and desirable Indian Peace medal, we have received from Mr. Bland a sketch of Hawkins by Lyon, which is truly delightful. Perhaps Mr. Wood will tell you about some of the other things.

Regarding Ritsos, the Greek dealer, there must have been some misunderstanding on either his or your part, because apparently he waited for you the same afternoon on which you waited for him. He has gone back to Greece, however, intending to return to Paris early in 1924. The Alexanders he has are from a hoard which is rather important to Mr. Newell; and while I do not like to pass on a burden such as this, I am convinced that if you could get a record of these gold staters, there might be something in the hoard from which Mr. Newell could get information of value. He is in Egypt now, and writes that a number of important hoards have appeared.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.

Jan. 24, 1924.

Dear Mr. Wyman:-

Your letter of the 8th came this morning, and in a later mail came the registered package containing a further addition to your gifts to the Society. You are very generous, and the pieces madea corking showing among the other Christmas gifts. I do not remember about the "yon sketch - if the joke is on me, I'm glad we ultimately got the sketch, for it is a beauty, and do not at all mind eating humble pie in view of the outcome.

If I hear again from Ritsos, I will send you word if there is time, but I suspect that he will stay in Grecian climes so long as the weather is warmer there than it is in Paris at this time of year. I'm sorry you have been having trouble with a cough, and hope you have it under control before this. We have been having all sorts of complications here - Miss Measher is away owing to the death of a sister. Miss Peilly is in the hospital after an operation for appendicitis, although latest reports indicate that she is on the road to recovery. Just coming as this does at the time of the annual meeting, it makes matters difficult for the time being.

I have just been re-reading your paragraph about Ritsos, and I think it would be better for you to make the casts of his cold Alexander statuary rather than have Laborie do it, although you can use your own judgment. I was just thinking that the Bibliotheque would rather right, get the first look-in on these pieces, when what we are trying to safeguard is that Mr. Newell shall have it. We much appreciated your sending word regarding L. Babelon's death, and it did reach us in time to prepare a resolution for the Annual meeting. We brought the oil portrait by Sorolla out of Mr. Newell's room and bought a palm-branch and placed it beneath, hanging it where Roine's Lincoln formerly was. The resolution was passed by a rising vote, and I plan to send a copy of it tomorrow to the son and to M. Dieudonne.

Regarding the catalogues concerning which you write, I should be glad to have the Pelfort Coll. for although I think Mr. Newell has a copy, I should like one for our own Library. Thank you for the plates which you speak of saving for us. Please be sure to indicate the catalogues from which they come,

Mr. Wyman. (2)

for that will save us a great deal of trouble, as you will realise. Your "New Year's Card" was particularly appealing, and I was very glad to have the information regarding these pieces. Should you locate any further cuts of Metapontum pieces, just cut them out and mark the collection on the back - that is, do not take the trouble to copy the descriptions, which I can easily locate if there should be need.

You saved the last part of your news for the last paragraph. I hope your acquaintance with the gold coins lives up to his promise. In any event you have done good missionary work, and possible future contact may permit you to strengthen it. Speaking of Proceedings, the Council decided not to go to the expense of printing them in the monographs form this year - partly because it cost eight hundred dollars to do so last season, and partly because our reserve in the Publication Fund is practically used up. They plan to print the reports in the Numismatist (for March) and when you receive it you will see that there is a commendable record of activity on the part of some five or six committees. Will Mr. Garrett and Mr. Gallatin aid to the Council, that body is about as select as it can well be made, and altogether we are in pretty good shape.

It was a lot of satisfaction to me to have Mr. Newell indicate that almost everything that I brought him was of value and that I had obtained things - in many cases - even more reasonably than he himself could have done. A number of the coins were of the greatest rarity. I saw the coins of Pitsos in Manchester, and they were even finer than those which you saw in Paris, but he has an exaggerated idea of their value, and I doubt that he can be brought to see reason. However, that is a matter between him and Newell with respect to the Alexanders - I doubt that Mr. N. can be persuaded to pay the prices asked for the Nende tetradrachms.

Mr. Falden has been here most of the afternoon preventing me from getting anything done, and I am typing this after five as the shadows fall. Wood has been taking his day off - by staying home and painting the kitchen, so I suppose he will be pretty stiff tomorrow morning. I wish I could have had a little longer time with you when I was in Paris, as there are quite a number of things I should have liked to have you keep a weather eye for, but everything was in such a whirl that I hardly knew where I stood. This letter will serve as a demonstration that you have no monopoly on typing errors. However, I shall be glad to hear from you again whenever you have an opportunity.

Yours very sincerely,

March 11th, 1924

Dear Mr. Wyman:

Yesterday we received the ~~catalogue~~ catalogue, and today the Sirozzi one has arrived. Thank you very much indeed. Both will prove very useful. The first we did not have; and of the second, we needed a duplicate.

Mr. Nowell's return has made us all very happy. He tells me that he saw you in Paris. He has not yet unloaded all his load, but some that we have seen is impressive, to say the least.

There is not very much news here just at present.

You will see the report of our Annual Meeting in the March Numismatist, and that will give you a review of the past year.

I hope you are feeling alright once more.

Very sincerely yours,

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
29 Place Dauphine  
Paris, France

October 10th, 1925

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
7 Rue Campagne Premiere  
Paris, XIV, France

Dear Mr. Wyman:

I regret to inform you that at the meeting of the Council held yesterday afternoon, I was instructed to write advising you that your name has been dropped as a Fellow of the Society, owing to non-payment of dues for 1924 and 1925.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

October 11, 1927

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman,  
c/o Guttag Bros.,  
16 Exchange Place,  
New York City

Dear Mr. Wyman:

This morning I went to the Post Office to inquire regarding a package on which duty was assessed and found that it was a copy of the "British Numismatic Journal." A second copy was there addressed to you and I recall having seen a postal notice regarding it. I am, therefore, sending this line so that you may know to what your notice refers. Previous volumes have hardly proved worth the amount of duty levied.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

PN:MB

Mar. 11, 1929.

Arthur C. Wyman, Esq.,

26 Grove St., New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Wyman:-

Responding to your telephone request, I subjoin a list of the more important of Mr. Wood's publications in the *Journal*, etc., together with a list of our monographs with his titles checked.

The Coins of Siam and its dependencies,	A.J.N., v. 38 & 39.
The Coins of Thibet	Nuismatist, v. 46
The Coins of the West Indies with special reference to the cut and counterstamped pieces.	A.J.N., v. 48
Notes on the Political Coins of India	Nuismatist, 1909
Paper Money issued by the Cutlers in the Federal Armies during the Civil War	A.J.N., v. 47
The Sou Marquee	A.J.N., v. 48,

I trust this will give you the information you wish.

Very truly yours,

Secretary.



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ARTHUR CRAWFORD WYMAN  
LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

Agust 6th, 1930

My dear Mr. Noe:-

I have been meaning for some time to drop you a line but the enclosed picture of myself and dogs will give you some idea of why they have absorbed most of my time and energy just as they have effaced me in the photograph. In spite of them, however, I have not entirely forgotten my other interests. As I wrote Mr. Wood, I got in touch with the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society as a result of your letting them know I was in the West. They are an eager and enthusiastic group. Although collecting field is not perhaps any broader than that of similar groups in the East, I do think that they are most anxious to get more than mere pride of possession out of such coins as do interest them and in this way give an example that might well be followed by some of collectors nearer New York. They all want to know a lot more about their coins than how much they cost and how rare they are.

Incidentally, may I ask if my membership in the A.N.S. entitles me to have books sent from the library. If so, I would like to have Adams' book on the private gold coins of California together with the supplement he got out recently. If you could send it to me by postage, fully insured, I would return it the same way in about two weeks, of course paying postage both ways. The one part of the country that seems to know very little about the California issues is California.

I won't waste your time telling you how beautiful this country is. You have probably already met more enthusiastic Californians than I am, but we are enjoying it greatly and have been fortunate in getting comfortably located at least for the present.

My wife sends her regards and we both hope you and your family are well.

Very sincerely yours,

Arthur Crawford Wyman

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Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Los Altos, Calif.

Dear Mr. Wyman:

Responding to your letter of the 6th, I am glad to send you, under separate cover, the book by Adams. I do not know about his recent supplement but I shall try to get hold of it and that will have to follow later.

It was good to hear of your being comfortably located. The snapshot did not enable me to make any generalizations as to how the climate was agreeing with you! I am glad you got in touch with the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society and feel sure that you will be able to aid and stimulate them.

Thank you for your inquiry as to the family. They are in Vermont for the rest of this month and I am planning to go up there to get them shortly. Please say I send remembrances to Mrs. Wyman, and believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

ARTHUR CRAWFORD WYMAN  
LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

February 1st, 1932

My dear Noe:-

Long ago, when I first came to California, you may remember that I wrote you asking for the loan of a copy of Adams' book on private gold coins. I then expected you to send me a copy from the library which I was to return. Instead you sent me the numbers of the Journal in which it was originally printed and I have been meaning ever since to pay you for them. Why I have not done so already, I really don't know except that I never have gotten around to it. Now I am enclosing a check for \$25.00. Fifteen of it is for my current due~~s~~ and the balance to be applied ~~xx~~ for the books. I don't know just what their price is. If ten dollars is too much, let the difference go into your library fund.

As might be expected, I am paying this now because I wish to ask another favor of you. I have been, rather against my will, scheduled to give a short talk on Washington and Numismatics. I don't know a blessed thing about the subject and have only the vaguest ideas in regard to the various Washington medals, tokens etc. It has occurred to me then, to confine myself to the Washington Indian Peace medals, about which I also know nothing. At least by so doing I confine my ignorance in a narrower field. However, I have a hazy recollection that the Society has printed something on the subject. I do remember that Mr. Belden was working on the subject. If you have anything, please send it to me in great haste. If it is a Society publication that is for sale, Bill it to me and I think you will receive more prompt payment than for the Adams books.

Probably you will have received official notification by ~~xxxx~~ now that at my suggestion you were recently elected an honorary fellow of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. Bear this great honor modestly, but remember that I really had the glimmer of an idea in offering your name. It seemed to me that the various local groups of numismatists (or coin collectors) should be brought more in touch with the Society, through you as secretary and my proposal of your name was with the thought that it might serve as a sort of official introducing of you to our little group out here.

ARTHUR CRAWFORD WYMAN  
LOS ALTOS, CALIFORNIA

My own recent election as president of the club in San Francisco was solely due to the fact that the A.N.A. convention is on the coast this year, and our club thought my acquaintance in the east might be of some service, if, as we hope, there is something of an Eastern delegation coming out, which will visit San Francisco as well as Los Angeles.

Actually, I have had little time for numismatics recently. In September my two wolfhound bitches became mothers within about twenty four hours of each other and we were flooded with 16 small animals. Feeling sure that our inexperience ~~with~~ as breeders would result in a high infant mortality rate (wolfhound puppies are notoriously hard to raise) we decided to keep the lot and let nature take its course. It did, but not as we expected, for the puppies grew and thrived for four months and increased from an average weight of a pound and half a piece at birth to about sixty pounds each and we were kept on the jump caring for them. Then I sold several at pretty good prices and then calamity came in the form of an epidemic of so called intestinal flu. Four pups died and I am still nursing five invalids whom I hope, not very confidently, are now out of danger.

Give my regards to every one and tell Howland that I have decided to give my nickel collection to the Society. Most of it will duplicate what you already have, but may be in better condition. In the patterns and proof pieces however, I have a lot that I know the Society does not have.

I want to go through it once and will have to arrange for shipping so it may be some time before you get it.

Sincerely yours,

Arthur J. Wyman

A. J. Wyman's talk on Washington is to  
begin on the last Wednesday of  
this month so would appreciate  
a quick response

February 5, 1932.

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Los Altos,  
California.

Dear Wyman:

Your interesting letter of February 1st is at hand and I was glad to hear from you. Thank you very much for the check covering your dues and the set of Adam's, "California Gold" which you received. The contribution to the library involved is gratefully acknowledged. You will gather from the report in the February Numismatist that the library is doing pretty well these days.

As first aid in the Washington matter, I am sending you, under separate cover, Baker's, "Medallic Portraits of Washington" and Belden's, "Indian Peace Medals". Of course, you will have the reference in Valentine's, "Half Dimes" to Washington's connection with the initiation of the coinage and this would be brought out in any general history of the United States currency such as Carother's, "Fractional Money" or Crosby, both of which I believe you will be able to obtain in the San Francisco library. The first of these titles was published a year or two ago by a Lehigh professor and altho gh it is not done by a numismatist it gains in rateability for this reason. If you can't get Carother's book out there, send me an air mail line and I can mail it to you.

Thank you for your word about your nickel collection which I will pass on to Mr. Wood. Very few people are making contributions to our collection at this time, so he will be doubly appreciative. Thank you too for having had me made an honorary fellow of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society. I have not yet received "official" notification. Your warning will enable me to store up some rhetoric for an acknowledgment. The account of your dog-family was very interesting. I should think you would be kept as busy as the proverbial fox terrier chasing a flea on the end of his tail. I hope you will have no more losses - I should want to feed the puppies something which would enable them to reduce rather than gain at the rate you describe.

As for matters here, you doubtless know of Mr. Belden's death during the summer. I could tell tales of the growth in thickness of the bony structure of Mr. R's cranium but time presses. We were able to close the year with a small balance, which is in marked contrast to some of our other

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neighboring institutions. I hope you haven't been hit. Do not fail to let us know if there is anything that we can do to help you in a numismatic way. With cordial regards to your wife, I am

Very sincerely yours,

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May 26, 1932.

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Los Altos  
California.

Dear Wyman:

If you have finished with Baker's, "Washington Medals" would you be so good as to mail it back to us; because this is Washington's bicentennial we of course have more occasion to refer to it than usually and unfortunately I haven't a duplicate copy.

I suppose your organization is looking forward to the convention - everybody in the East is afraid if they spend a dollar that they will be caught doing it and in consequence matters are at a standstill. I hope your dividends are intact. Please say I asked to be remembered to Mrs. Wyman.

Very cordially yours,

SN:JG

October 20, 1932.

Arthur Crawford Wyman, Esq.  
Los Altos  
California.

Dear Mr. Wyman:

At the meeting of the Council held on October 14th, following the report of the Curator that your collection of nickel coins had now been turned over to the Society as a gift from you, a motion that the thanks of the Council be communicated to you by me was made and passed unanimously. Although this action was due in some measure to the importance of your gift in its own right, the members of the Council can hardly have appreciated the time and thought which was given to its formation and of which I personally do know. I hope that this expression of my personal appreciation along with that of the Council, together with the feeling that your coins are in the place where they will probably be useful to the largest number of people, will give you some of the satisfaction which your efforts in bringing the collection together deserve.

Very cordially yours,

JG

President

December 10, 1932.

Mr. Arthur C. Wyman  
Los Altos  
California.

Dear Wyman:

In going over some material in the cabinet downstairs we found a set of books belonging to you entitled "History of the Royal Artillery". I presume you must have known that it was here. Do you want it? If not, what do you wish me to do about it?

It is improbable I shall write you again before the holiday so I am sending with this cordial wishes that your Christmas may be rich in happiness and that the new year which will begin may have such a wealth of peace for you that it will seem longer than any that have preceded it.

Very sincerely yours,

SN:JG

Secretary